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29 March 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 29 March 1965

General Carter presided as Acting DCI.

The meeting opened with a discussion of the picture in the 28 March New York Times magazine of McGeorge Bundy which clearly revealed the code word DINAR on the masthead of the CIB. General Carter said he had discussed this with Mr. Bundy this morning and General Carter asked to pursue with NSA the matter of changing the code word some time in the next week or two. 25X1

There was a Current Intelligence Briefing covering today's ROLLING THUNDER, a ChiCom note to Hanoi which parrots the People's Daily Editorial of 25 March, a meeting between Dobrynin and Rusk on Friday, the belief of the that the strikes are having no impact on Hanoi as regards negotiations, status of Viet Cong military activity, political situation in Saigon, continuing improvement in the Congo situation, problems in Laos, strike and state of siege in Bolivia, spate of reporting including news accounts of Communist activities in Northeast Thailand (in point of fact DDI analysts believe there has been little change in the situation there in the past 6 months), capture of dissidents in Brazil. 25X1

for DDS&T reported that the first bucket of 1018 is to be recovered tonight. Battery problems in the Agena may cause the second bucket to be retrieved early. 25X1

reported that the weather in China is bad and that the statistical outlook is that weather for reconnaissance flights will only be good about twice a month. 25X1

reported that NASA Administrator Webb is hiring to study Soviet space plans and do a series of public articles. 25X1

noted that his office had completed a review of the CORONA Program and he tabled this with General Carter. 25X1

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NRO review(s) completed.

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Kent noted that [] has apparently held too tightly the sanitized NIE on the Soviet General Purpose Forces since the [] has not seen the paper.

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DDI noted that he would be briefing the Seldon Subcommittee on Cuban subversion. General Carter advised that in the event committee members press hard on policy matters, they are to be referred to the State Department and/or White House.

Executive Director noted a BOB circular laying on cost reduction programs in Government operations. He said this would be discussed at a Budget and Finance Policy Committee meeting this week.

Executive Director noted that [] will be here tomorrow to discuss special warfare and Army relations with CIA.

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Executive Director noted that Representative Moore (W. Va.) will be here for breakfast tomorrow.

Executive Director noted that an Agency Employee, [] has received a Guggenheim fellowship to pursue historical study of [] relations.

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Executive Director noted the new novel "The Ambassador," and there was a discussion of this book.

General Carter noted Ambassador Taylor's presence in Washington. He said he had talked with Bundy who said there were no interagency meetings scheduled. Taylor would be conferring with the State Department today and the Defense Department tomorrow.

General Carter again inquired into the status of planning of a new counterinsurgency plan.

General Carter asked [] to look into the status of responding to DNRO's recent memo on the []

General Carter directed that [] be informed to give Col. Heran of Greer's office as much information as Heran requires in connection with the deorbiting of the two buckets of 1018.

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